

B) REMARKS:

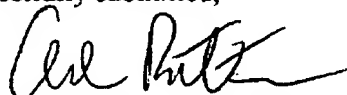
In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner has required restriction to one of claim groups I (comprising claims 1-6), II (comprising claims 6-15) and III (claims 16-22). The Applicants hereby select claim group III for prosecution and have cancelled the prior pending claims 1-15 herein without prejudice. Compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.48(b) has been considered in canceling these claims and no change to the inventorship is deemed necessary. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in a continuing application.

Please note that a revocation and appointment of new attorney and change of correspondence address in favor of the below-signed practitioner will be forthcoming.

This amendment is responsive to each issue raised in the Restriction Requirement dated December 3, 2004. In the event that a further extension of time is required in addition to that requested previously herein, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to the below-signed practitioner's deposit account number: 502396.

Respectfully submitted,

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